As the honorary chairman of this event, I enjoyed meeting with the young artists and viewing the fruits of their artistic expression. I like to congratulate all of the students from my district who took part in this event, beginning with the first prize winner, Christopher Papa of Farmingdale High School, Other award winners were second prize winner, Sarah Han of Manhasset High School; third prize winner Jeremy Pama of Syosset High School, and honorable mention winners, Glenn Steinle of Farmingdale High School, Christine Sampson of Island Trees High School, Sara Becker and Sari Gordon of Oceanside High School, Dan Torok of Seaford High School, and Chris Boniface of Wantagh High School.

The following students also submitted entries to the Congressional Arts Competition: Bellmore J.F.K. High School: Stephanie Barge, Janis Temchin; Hicksville High School: Janine Friedmann, Dawn Sumner, Tania Trikha, Kristen Wigand, Antonio Jimenez, Nicole Terranova, Myra Velez; Island Trees High School: Kathryn Curran, Victoria Gonatas, Joe Manzella, Janine Minai, Justin Orlando, Dawn Giunta, Jesica Linzie, Melissa McMills, Richard Molinelli.

Manhasset High School: Jeremy Arambiro, Matt Despegni, Doug Gilman, Chelsea Karges, Leslie Koch, Serena Dawn Leong, Sylvia Lin, Juan Mialon, Hector Orihuela, Katie Reilly, Meredith Trufelli, Dwayne Wilson, Ella Berroya, Elizabetha Donoghill, Richard Kim, Rebekka Kuhn, Daniel Leung, Matt McCann, Juan Nealon, Sarah Outten, Sarah Richardson, Kareem Wallace, Tom Young.

Oceanside High School: David Burtman, Hadass Dagan, Pamela Gordon, Deborah Graffigino, Alexandra Lasky, Danielle Marchetta, Jessica Milberg, Nicole Nolan, Mike Postle, Aimee Smith, Alexandra Beloshkurenko, Lorraine Cerami, Joe Fotana, Matt Herr, Sara Lieberman, John Marino, Anthony Nicolo, Robert Peppers, Scott Segal, Lauren Williamson.

Seaford High School: Anthony Carozza, Lenore Madonia, Kimberly Seluga, Keith Hunter, Paul Marko, Bonnie Thompson, Christine White; Syosset High School: Jaqueline Dashevsky, Lauren Merril, Bruce Gilbert; Wantagh High School: Denise Becker Shawn, Allison Galvin, Annie Lo, Donna Pearson, Shanna Greenberg, Jacqueline Moon, Lisanne Todaro.

LAFAYETTE DAY CELEBRATION TO HONOR THE NAMESAKE OF FAYETTE COUNTY

HON. FRANK MASCARA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 1996

Mr. MASCARA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to make my colleagues aware of a special event which will occur in my district this weekend. It is the first annual Lafayette Day celebration to be held in Uniontown, PA, on July 14, 1996. As part of this day's events, I will help dedicate a center at the Uniontown Library honoring this French soldier.

Many of you may not know, but the Marquis de Lafayette is the namesake of Fayette County, a portion of which lies in my district. A member of a titled, military family, Lafayette was enamored with Benjamin Franklin's writings about freedom. As a result, spending his own money, he traveled to this country at the age of 17 on his way to join George Washington at Valley Forge to help fight the Revolutionary War. General Washington was so impressed with young Lafayette that he was soon commissioned as a major general in the Continental Army.

After helping to win freedom for our country, Lafayette returned to France and aided the French Revolution. He came back to America in 1825 with his son, appropriately named George Washington Lafayette. The pair traveled for a year throughout our Nation and made a triumphant return to Fayette County. Lafayette was so taken with the area that legend has it that he took a trunk full of the county's soil back home to be placed on his grave.

The leaders of Uniontown, anxious to promote tourism and economic development, have joined with the Fayette County Tourism Advisory Board in planning the Lafayette Day events for this coming Sunday. Next year, they plan to expand the celebration to a weeklong event which will feature French dignitaries and Lafayette descendants.

Their long-range hope is that this annual event will lead to the construction of the Hall of Fame of Freedom, a museum which would not only honor Lafayette's deep commitment to freedom, but also George C. Marshall, who was born and raised in Uniontown, and many other historical figures who grace Fayette County's colorful history.

Mr. Speaker, the citizens of Fayette County should be very proud of this event and hope fully they, and any citizens and Members visiting in the area, will stop by and enjoy this wonderful and important celebration.

CELEBRATING WEST VIRGINIA'S HERITAGE: HOMECOMING '96

HON. NICK J. RAHALL II

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 1996

Mr. RAHALL. Mr. Speaker, not so long ago, West Virginia was known primarily as a mighty coal producing State fueling much of America's economy. Many Americans simply did not know all West Virginia had to offer. However, thanks to the hard work and dedication of the people of West Virginia, we are opening our doors to show America and the world what all West Virginians know; our State has much to offer.

Since 1989, West Virginia has gone through a metamorphosis that has put the most beautiful butterfly to shame. We have invested \$1 billion in computers for our classrooms, and placed them in modern schools that can handle the latest technology. Our roads and bridges are in the best shape in our history, our rural health program is considered a national model, and the public safety program is considered one of the best in the Nation.

And, Mr. Speaker, we are proud of our accomplishments. We want all Americans, especially West Virginians who have left, to come home and take note of the progress we have made, as well as our plan for the future. That is why we are engaged in a statewide effort known as Homecoming '96.

Homecoming '96 is a celebration of West Virginia. It's the largest community effort ever

undertaken in our State—a celebration of our heritage and our future. Under the direction of steering committee cochairs Senator ROBERT C. BYRD and country music superstar Kathy Mattea, Homecoming '96 has many exciting statewide events planned.

We are inviting old and new friends to return to West Virginia and experience the unparelled beauty and friendship we have to offer. We invite everyone to travel our highways and take part in our rich heritage.

Mr. Speaker, there are over 300 communities in West Virginia participating in Homecoming '96, 78 of which are in my district. These communities have planned many activities for all people of all ages. For example, in Bluefield, the Historic Railroad Association has planned a train excursion in Mercer County. In Huntington, the celebration of the city's 125 birthday will coincide will Homecoming '96 activities, and in my hometown of Beckley, a Labor Day weekend concert will take place.

1996 is the year the residents of West Virginia recognize each other for the tremendous accomplishments made in the past. We are excited to show the world just how beautiful the Mountain State really is. Whether it's sking the white peaks or thundering down the great New River, West Virginia is a State with much to offer.

Many past and current residents of the State will be sporting attractive Homecoming '96 pins and bumper stickers to encourage all Americans to join us in the most wondrous of celebrations. Many of these people will be more than happy to lead you where the delicious smell of apple butter is being made or homemade pies being cooled.

I close by inviting my colleagues, present and past residents of West Virginia, as well as all Americans, to come home to West Virginia and join the festivities this summer.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that the names of the communities in the Third Congressional District participating in Homecoming '96 be entered into the record: Alderson, Ansted, Athens, Ballard, Barboursville, Beckley, Big Creek, Bluefield, Boomer, Bramwell, Brenton, Buckeye, Camden on Gauley, Caretta, Ceredo, Chapmanville, Crumpler, Danville, Delbarton, Diana/Jumbo, Durbin, Fayetteville, Fort Gay, Frankford, Gary, Gauley Bridge, Gilbert, Greenbrier, Greenville, Hacker Valley, Hamlin, Hanover, Hinton, Huntington, Itman, Jodie, Jumping Branch/Nimitz, Kenova, Kermit, Kopperston, Lansing, Lerona/Speedway, Lewisburg, Lindside, Logan, Madison, Marlinton, Matewan, Matoaka, Maxwelton, Meadow Bridge, Milton, Montgomery, Mullens, Nemours, Northfork, Oak Hill, Oakvale, Oceana, Pence Springs, Peterstown, Pineville, Pipestem, Princeton, Prosperity, Rainelle, Ronceverte, Smithers, Sophia, Renick. Spanishburg, Summerslee, Summersville, Sylvester, Talcott, Union, War, Webster Springs, Welch, West Logan, West Virginia State Fair, White Sulpher Springs, Whitesville, Williamsburg, Williamson, and Wolf Creek.

THE PRISON WORK AND VICTIM RESTITUTION ACT

HON. JOHN E. ENSIGN

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, July 10, 1996

Mr. ENSIGN. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduced bipartisan legislation, the Prison Work